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Nevada Department of Public Safety Announces Traffic Safety Grant Program

Approximately \$1.5 million in funding from the US Department of Transportation available to eligible state, local and non-profit agencies

Carson City, Nevada~ The Nevada Department of Public Safety's Office of Traffic Safety (DPS-OTS) announced the availability of approximately \$1.5 million in traffic safety grants for all eligible state, local and non-profit agencies.

The grant monies are available for projects that address impaired driving, safety belt use, child passenger safety, pedestrian and bicycle safety, motorcycle safety, police and traffic services, emergency medical response and traffic data collection. Applicants are encouraged to develop programs that address one of more traffic safety concerns in their communities. Examples of the types of projects this funding could support include: traffic safety coalitions, overtime and equipment for law enforcement, DUI courts, child safety seat and teen impaired driving programs.

The mission of the DPS-OTS is to reduce the number and severity of traffic crashes on Nevada roadways. As a result, the DPS-OTS prepares and administers grant programs which support and implement traffic safety projects administered at the state and local levels of government.

For more information about how to apply, go to www.ots.state.nv.us or contact DPS-OTS Chief Chuck Abbott at 775-684-7469. Completed grant applications may be emailed to cabbott@dps.state.nv.us or sent to the Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety 555 Wright Way Carson City, NV 89711. For additional information, contact Chief Abbott at 775-684-7469.

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